TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES Attorney Docket No. 2541-1025 DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) U.S. Application No CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLN. NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PCT/IT03/00741 November 14, 2003 November 21, 2002 TITLE OF INVENTION: A DEVICE FOR ANASTOMOSIS APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Gioacchino COPPI Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). 3. The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) a.

is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. has been communicated by the International Bureau. See attached PCT/IB/308. c. I is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) a. is attached hereto. b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. A have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. In have not been made, however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)). An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)) or a Declaration of Inventorship for purposes of U.S.A. designation pursuant to rule 4.17(iv). 10. An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 11. ✓ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) w/PTO-1449 - ✓ Copy of IDS citations. 12. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)).

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13. A preliminary amendment.

15. A substitute specification.

and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.

14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76.

16. A change of power of attorney and/or change of address letter.

17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2

19. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application (35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)). 20. Other items or information: International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210), Abstract of the Disclosure

18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

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21. The following fees are submitted:					CALCULATIONS	
BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1)-(5)):					PTO USE ONLY	
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Neither international preliminary examination fee nor international search fee paid to USPTO and international Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO\$1080.00						
International preliminary examination fee not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO						
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International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provision of PCT Article 33 (1)-(4)						
International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provision of PCT Article 33 (1)-(4)						
ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT					\$ 920.00	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 20- 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e))					\$	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		\$	
Total Claims	9 - 20 =	0	x \$18.00		\$	
Independent Claims	1 - 3 =	0	x \$86.00		\$	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$290.00					\$	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATION =					\$ 920.00	
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½.					\$ 460.00	
SUBTOTAL =					\$ 460.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than \(\subseteq 20 \) \(\subseteq 30 \) months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).					\$	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =					\$ 460.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31) \$40.00 per property +					\$ 40.00	:
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =					\$ 500.00	
					Amount to be refunded:	\$
					Charged:	\$
A check in the amount of \$500.00 to cover the above fees is attached.						
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 in the name of Young & Thompson. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.						
The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17.						
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